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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—E. R. BELMONT, Esq.  
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Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.  
Shanghai, . . . EDWIN CAMERON, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

## HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED  
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.  
T. JACKSON, Acting Chief Manager.  
Office of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.  
MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIESS has been authorized to sign for us by Procuration.  
We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.  
SIESSSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. sp2

### NOTICE.

MR. LUDWIG SEYMUND LUTERNS is authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration.  
W. PUSTAU & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU, Junr., is authorized to sign our Firm.  
W. PUSTAU & Co.  
Hongkong, December 23, 1876. fe1

### NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS of the Undersigned will henceforth be carried on under the Name or Style of H. KIER & Co.  
H. KIER.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of the late Mr. J. O. KRAUSS ceased with his death at Yokohama on the 27th of August last, and the Business will be carried on as heretofore and under the same Style and Firm by our Mr. H. KIERMANN.  
Mr. RICHARD SCHÖNBERGER has been authorized to sign the Firm.  
KRUSE & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

MR. H. C. KAPMANN has been admitted a Partner in our Firm, and Mr. ALFRED HENRI has been authorized to sign for us per Procuration.  
CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1877. fe2

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.  
WM. ORRICKSHANK, Manager.  
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the Firm of G. RAYNAL & Co. at this Port, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.  
GUSTAV RAYNAL, CARL MILLERSON.  
Macao, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of VISCOUNT DE CERCAL in our Firm ceased on the 1st April 1876.  
A. A. DE MELLO & Co.  
Macao, January 1, 1877. fe3

I HAVE this day Established myself at this Port under my own name as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.  
O. KEES.  
Canton, January 9, 1877. fe3

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late MR. ALFRED HUTTON in our Firm ceased on the 26th February 1876.  
DEACON & Co.  
Canton, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.  
O. J. MESTERN, W. HULSE.  
Canton, December 31, 1876. sp2

### NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES BEWICK QUELON in our Firm ceased on the 30th September, 1876. The Business will be Continued under the Style of CAMPBELL & Co.  
QUELON & CAMPBELL.  
Swatow, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FEHR will from this Date be carried on as heretofore under the Style of J. D. MEYER & Co.  
Swatow, January 1, 1877. fe2

### NOTICE.

MR. H. EBELL has this Day been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm at Swatow and Hongow, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HERTON, EBELL & Co."  
EDWARD HERTON.  
Swatow-Hohow, January 1, 1877. fe13

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EDWARD HERTON.  
Swatow-Hohow, January 1, 1877. fe13

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,  
WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,  
38, Queen's Road,  
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,  
CHRONOMETERS,  
&c., &c., &c.  
Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.  
All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tf.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 38, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 19th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1876.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 15th February, both days inclusive.  
By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.  
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. fe16

MACAO HOTEL,  
PRAYA GRANDE, MACAO.  
ON the 20th Instant, a First Class HOTEL will be OPENED, under the above title, in Spacious, Commodious, and well-furnished Premises on the Praya Grande.  
Every attention will be paid to the comfort of Visitors.  
Wines, Spirits and Estates of the best quality only supplied. Terms moderate.  
J. P. DE CAMPOS, Proprietor.  
Macao, January 6, 1877.

## Intimations.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.  
ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s  
CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India.  
The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One \*, Two \*\*, Three \*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,  
POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [apb]

## THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.  
ESTABLISHED 1853.  
TR. KOFFER, Proprietor.  
Hongkong, April 23, 1876. sp28

## W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.  
IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, FINE MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,  
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.  
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 20th February next, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1876, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.  
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th February next, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.  
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. fe20

## HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-first Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CITY HALL, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 28th January instant, at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of the Accounts, and electing Auditors.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

## HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th Instant, both days inclusive.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1877. ja25

## P. F. DA SILVA,

GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT,  
TAGAN and TAIWANPOO. [fe22]

## Shipping.

### Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Barque "ANTIOCH,"  
THOMAS MERRILL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have early despatch.  
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, January 8, 1877. fe3

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 British Clipper Barque "UNANIMA,"  
Cair, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and meet with early despatch.  
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, January 8, 1877. fe5

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Bark "CEYLON,"  
KELLY, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. fe18

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Ship "SUMATRA,"  
Captain CLOUGH, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.  
For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. fe19

FOR LONDON.

(If sufficient Inducement offers.)  
The 3/3 L. L. Russian Ship "VANADIS,"  
WEEKLAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch as above.  
For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.  
Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship "CUTWATER,"  
GREENMAN, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch as above.  
For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Brig "SAN LORENZO,"  
PROO, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY,

the 25th January, 1877, at the Residence of E. LILLER, Esq., No. 1, Stanley Street, at 2 p.m., the whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Also,  
A Splendid COTTAGE PIANO, by PLEYEL.

Ses Catalogues.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, January 28, 1877. ja28

### GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

### FRIDAY,

the 26th January, 1877, at Noon.—An Invoice of JOHN GOSNELL & Co.'s PERFUMERY, comprising: Cut Glass Toilet Bottles with Assorted Scent, Ess Bouquet, Jockey Club, Lavender Water, Cologne Water, Toilet and Shaving Soap, Marking Ink, Hair Brushes, Cloth and Hat Brushes, Violet Powder, Toilet Vinegar, Hair Dye.

Also,  
60 cases Gin, Cock mark.  
100 Gross Flaming Fuses.  
A case Safety Matches.  
10 tins Carriage Varnish.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, January 23, 1877. ja26

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from M. S. TOSNOCH, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

### FRIDAY,

the 26th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at Brook Cottage, Caine Road,—The whole of his English and Colonial made Household FURNITURE, comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bedroom Suites, Carved Book Case, Pier Glasses, Engravings, Marble-top Dressing Table and Washstand, Marble-top Teapots, Plated-ware, Cutlery, Glass-ware, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets; A Collection of Books, Japanese and Chinese Porcelain and Lacquered-ware, Ningpo Carvings, A Large Collection of Flowering and Other Plants.

An AVIARY and One Large TENT. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Thursday, the 25th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja26

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

SUBSTANTIAL ENGLISH & CANTON. MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ENGRAVINGS, GLASS-WARE, PLATED-WARE, &c., &c., &c.

And,  
ONE BILLIARD TABLE, WITH BALLS, CUES, &c., COMPLETE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs HEAD & Co., to sell by Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 30th day of January, 1877, at 2 p.m., at their Residence, Caine Road,—The whole of their Substantial Household FURNITURE, &c., comprising: Drawing, Dining and Bed Room Suites, Marble-top Tables, Sofas, Easy Chairs, Chairs, Pier Glasses, Carpets, Hearth Rugs, Side Board, Whatnots, Marble-mounted Clocks, Davenport, Gasaliers and Gas Brackets, Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Marble-top Toilet Tables and Washstands, Glass-ware, Plated-ware, Crockery, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 29th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1877. ja30

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Storekeeper, to sell by Public Auction, on

### WEDNESDAY,

the 31st January, 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m., at H. M. NAVAL YARD,—SUNDY NAVAL AND VICTUALING STORES, comprising: Old Iron, Lignum-vite, Woollen Rags, Old Carpet, Offal Wood, Old Casks and Cases, Biscuit and Biscuit Dust, Chocolate, Flour, Biscuit Bags, Blue Cloth, Blue Serge, Stockings, Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Implements, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. ja31

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

### SATURDAY,

the 3rd February, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at No. 34, Hollywood Road,—SUNDY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising: English Rosewood Red Rep Covered Drawing-room Suite, Dining and Bed-room Suite, Pier Glasses, Brussels Carpets, Curtains, Chandeliers, Hearth-rugs, Engravings, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass and Plated-ware, Vases, Clocks, and One Piano.

Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, January 23, 1877. ja36

## Intimations.

## NEARLY READY.

**A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT.** Part I. A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo. pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tübingen.  
Price: Two Dollars and a Half.  
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, January 22, 1877.

## EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.

**THE CONSUL FOR FRANCE** has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the CONSULATE all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,  
G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.  
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

## AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to  
**H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,**  
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;  
and to  
**H. L. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,**

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.  
**HAS** on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes, photographs enlarged from O. D. V. size to life size and coloured in oil. A new apparatus for Photography has been received from England; he is prepared to take Photos of Buildings and Interiors at the shortest distance.  
Hongkong, July 17, 1876.

**SHIP COMPADORE AND STEVEDORE,**  
No. 51, Praya Wai.  
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.  
Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

**TUBORG'S FABRIKER DANISH BEER.**  
TO BE HAD FROM  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 15, 1877. fcl2

## Notices to Consignees

## FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

**THE S. S. Glenroy**, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Under- signed, into their Godowns, whence and or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before 4 p.m. To-day.  
Goods remaining in Godown after the 26th instant will be subject to rent.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Under- signed.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
Agents S. S. Glenroy.  
Hongkong, January 18, 1877. ja25

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. LOMBARDY.

**CONSIGNEES** of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the *BOHARA* and *ZAMBESI*, from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 27th instant will be subject to rent.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, January 20, 1877. ja27

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.**  
The Steamship  
"YESSO."  
Captain PUGHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 29th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877. ja28

**FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.**  
The British Steamer  
"BENARTY,"  
shortly expected from Singapore, will have immediate despatch as above.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

## FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABBAS AND SINGAPORE.

**THE S. S. Glenroy**, Captain A. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Under- signed, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.  
**H. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL.**  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"TANAI,"  
Comdt. REYNIER, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on FRIDAY, the 26th instant, at 10 a.m.  
H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877. ja26

## NOTICE.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship  
"AMAZONE,"  
Comdt. MONTAUDO, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on FRIDAY, the 26th instant, at 4 p.m.  
H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877. ja26

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## S. S. AMAZONE.

## NOTICE.

**CONSIGNEES** of Cargo per S. S. "Indus," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, the 25th inst., at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Under- signed.  
Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1877. ja31

## Not Responsible for Debts.

**Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—**

Vesta, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. — Melchers & Co.  
BRIDGEOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. Crisp. — Arnold, Karberg & Co.  
FLYING CLOUD, British barque, Captain H. Williams. — Turner & Co.

IRENE, German schooner, Captain O. Hansen. — Carlowitz & Co.  
HANTS COUNTY, British barque, Captain G. W. Cochran. — Meyer & Co.  
OCEAN, American bark, Capt. E. Kelly.

STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blaker. — Douglas Larpaik & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Jan. 24, Pau Tah, Chinese steamer, 870, Patterson, Shanghai Jan. 21, General. — C. M. S. N. Co.  
Jan. 24, Red Biding Hood, Brit. barque, 720 W. Robertson, Brisbane Dec. 19, Coal. — JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Jan. 24, H. M. S. Swinger, from Macao.

Jan. 24, Gunga, French steamer, 797, Garceau, Singapore Jan. 14, General. — ORDER.

Jan. 24, Amazone, French steamer, 1907, Mortemard, Marseilles Dec. 17, Naples Jan. 19, Port Said 23, Suez 25, Aden 30, Galle Jan. 9, Singapore 17, and Saigon 21, Mails and General. — MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## DEPARTURES.

Jan. 24, Douglas, for Coast Ports.  
24, Pau Tah, for Canton.  
24, Altona, for London, &c.  
24, Diomed, for London, &c.  
24, Formosa, for Keelung.  
24, Cassandra, for Manila.  
24, Norma, for Swatow.

## CLEARED.

Killarney, for Saigon.  
Theresa and Nelly, for Saigon.  
Greys, for Toulon.  
Flying Cloud, for Bangkok.  
Fabius, for Bangkok.  
Vanadis, for Manila.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.  
Per Amazone, for Hongkong, from Marseilles, Messrs Horting, de Groot, Stuart, Hervel, Ferrand, Mackie, Miss Anderson, and Mr Sheldon; from Singapore, Mr and Mrs Moore, 3 infants and nurse, Mr Mackie's native servant, and 13 Chinese; from Saigon, Revd. Leprince, Sisters Paul, Virginia, and Macarie, Miss Antonio, Messrs Gougand, Loiseleur, Gerand, and Milon, and 51 Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Yeo, Messrs Byrne, Krause, da Silveira, Gutierrez, Miss Guine, Mr Rawlinson, Revd. Seguin, Faure, Martin, Barry, and Molard. For Yokohama from Marseilles, Messrs Eymann, and Whittall.

Per Pau Tah, from Shanghai, Capt. Gibbon, Capt. Barr, Dr. and Mrs Spur, Dr. Gulick, and 63 Chinese.  
Per Gunga, from Singapore, 180 Chinese.

DEPARTED.  
Per Douglas, for Swatow, Miss Ellen Pearce; for Foochow, Mr N. D. Eckiel.  
Per Altona, for Straits, 180 Chinese.  
Per Diomed, for Singapore, 1 Cabin; and 180 Chinese deck.

Per Norma, for Swatow, 228 Chinese.  
To DEPART.  
Per Irene, for Toulon, 20 Chinese.  
Per Flying Cloud, for Saigon, 20 Chinese.  
Per Fabius, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The French steamer *Gunga* reports; Strong N.E. wind to 24 Fathoms, and thence fine weather to port.

The British barque *Red Biding Hood* reports; Moderately fine weather throughout the passage.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:—

For BANGKOK.—  
Per Barque *FLYING CLOUD*, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 25th inst.

For MANILA.—  
Per Brig *SAN LORENZO*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 25th inst.

For BANGKOK.—  
Per Barque *ELLEN RICKMERS*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the 25th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.—  
Per *TANAI*, at 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the 26th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—  
Per *AMAZONE*, at 8 p.m., on Friday, the 26th inst.; late letters received from 3.10 to 3.30.

For HAIPHONG.—  
Per Barque *BREMA*, at 8.30 p.m., on Friday, the 26th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.—  
Per *YESSO*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.

For BANGKOK.—  
Per *RAJANATTIANUHAH*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 30th inst.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—**  
The French Contract Packet *MEIKONG*, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked *paid to Galle only*; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 24th inst.:  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 25th inst.:  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.  
10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.  
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until  
11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.  
Hongkong, January 11, 1877. ja25

## MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet *KHIVA*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 1st February.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 31st inst.:  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.  
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 1st inst.:  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.  
10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till  
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via *Brindisi* or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till  
11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, January 22, 1877. fcl

**THE S. S. GALLIC**, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States and London, which will be closed as follows:—  
2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.  
2.30 p.m., Post Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra postage until  
2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient *American* Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. *American* Stamps are sold at this Office.

General Post Office.  
Hongkong, January 16, 1877. fcl

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, January 26:—  
10 a.m.—*Tanai* leaves for Yokohama.  
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.  
2 p.m.—Furniture Sale, at Brook Cottage, Cairns Road.

4 p.m.—*Amazone* leaves for Shanghai.  
SATURDAY, January 27:—  
Goods per *Lombardy* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SUNDAY, January 28:—  
Daylight.—*Yesso* leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.  
TUESDAY, January 30:—  
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at the residence of Messrs Heard & Co., Cairns Road.

4 p.m.—*Frankie L.* leaves for Saigon on or about this date.

WEDNESDAY, January 31:—  
11 a.m.—Sale of Sundries at Govt. Store.  
Goods per *Amazone* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

THURSDAY, February 1:—  
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.  
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, February 3:—  
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 24, Hollywood Road.  
Trunkers Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 19th February, inclusive.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.  
Goods per *Glenroy* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Notice of Optional Cargo per *Amazone* to be given up to Noon.

Meeting.  
2 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at City Hall.

Auction.  
2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 1, Stanley Street.

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## BIRTH.

On the 7th Dec., at Anstley-park, London, the wife of C. Langdon-Davies, of a son.

## DEATHS.

On the 3rd Dec., at Tikjoh, near Elsinore, Denmark, Francis Coleman Macgregor, formerly Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Canton, aged 89 years.

On the 1st Oct., at San Francisco, John Wilks, formerly of Shanghai, and afterwards of London, in his 60th year.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 24, 1877.

THERE could be no objection to the Chinese attempting to supplant foreign interests in the Empire by their own, through the medium of purchases, providing they could afford it. In the petition presented to the United States Postal Commission for a continuance of the subsidy to the Pacific Mail Company, which we published only yesterday, the following passage occurs:—"We respectfully represent that the sustaining of a great American Company whose ships are our own, whose officers and seamen are our brothers and fellow-citizens, whose ensign is the stars and stripes, is an act worthy of the legislators of our great nation. The objects for which that Company is contending are national. Their success will be a fair subject for congratulation of our whole people. Their failure will bring a blush to the face of every lover of this country." Now it cannot be assumed that the Chinese have less right or desire to uphold their flag on the seas than the Americans, and if the "sustaining of a great American Company whose ensign is the stars and stripes, is an act worthy of the legislators of America," so, equally, is the sustaining of a great Chinese Company, whose flag is the dragon and the sun, an act worthy of China. It is true that the American Government is petitioned not to buy up a rival Company, but to subsidize their own. What, however, is the difference? In the one case money is paid to enable foreign competition to be absorbed; in the other to enable it to be crushed! The great cause for complaint in this action of Li Hung Chang and his colleagues, is the unfairness and harshness of it towards the Chinese themselves. In point of fact the Chinese Government is not at the present time in a position financially to buy up foreign competition, and the interests of the people must suffer by any such act.

Where will the money for these two gigantic purchases of the Woosung Railway and the China Merchants' Company come from? It cannot be borrowed, even at ruinous rates of interest. The Government coffers are empty; a costly and apparently interminable war is in progress in the North-west; famine and distress run rampant through several provinces; rebellion smoulders in others, and yet, forsooth, the Government buys directly or indirectly a railway, a great steamship company, and is said to be contemplating other extensive purchases, for the mere purpose of destroying foreign competition, and getting rid of the foreigner. Whatever may have been the intention of the Chinese in buying up the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company, the Woosung Railway was certainly not purchased with a view to profit, but simply as an anti-foreign speculation.

Where in the money to come from? It will, we fear, have to be ground out of the already impoverished people by fresh devices and extortions that the Government of no civilized country would dare to adopt. A memorial in the *Peking Gazette* of the 1st December probably affords us some idea of one method by which the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company are to be helped over their difficulties by Li Hung-chang and his colleagues at Peking, and provided with funds to

annihilate foreign opposition. In this memorial the acting Governor General of Hu-kwang represents that it is impossible to carry out the Board of Revenue's wishes as regards the transmission of grain to Peking. Since the rebellion the grain tax had been paid in money, and in order to remit the tax *in kind*, as now proposed, it would be necessary to rebuild the granaries throughout the province, and construct new grain vessels at an enormous cost. To send the grain by steamer to Shanghai would entail great cost, and if that were contemplated it would be better to buy the rice on the spot. It would be a great hardship on the people to revert suddenly to a system which was superseded many years ago, and especially at the present moment, when the province is suffering from bad crops. It is therefore requested that the Board be directed to reconsider the matter, and meanwhile the grain contribution for the present year will be commuted by a money payment as heretofore. It is fair to infer from the wording of this memorial that it had at least been suggested to the Governor General to send the grain by the Company's steamers to Shanghai—at all events there was that means of transit before him for adoption; and when in conjunction with this fact the absurdity, so aptly pointed out by the memorialist, of reverting to the old system of remitting the grain-tax in kind to Peking is considered, there seems to be some grounds for assuming that of a few interested parties at the capital were attempting to perpetrate a "job" for the benefit of the Company. Our evening contemporary at Shanghai is responsible for the following:—

It is, we believe, not generally known that in the year 1868, Tseng Kuo-fan, then Viceroy of Nanking, addressed a Secret Memorial to the Throne, in which he advocated the measure of systematically starving the foreigner out of the country. He urged the Government gradually to buy up all foreign enterprises, to adopt all such foreign undertakings as could be carried on independently of foreign assistance, and so, eventually, to get rid of the obnoxious foreigners altogether. It was to this that Wen-siang referred when he made his celebrated observation to Sir Rutherford Alcock, to the effect that when the Chinese did progress they would progress faster than the European nations liked. This system has been conscientiously adopted by the Viceroy of Chihli, who is the disciple and recognised successor of Tseng, and he has done his work in a sufficiently masterly way. The railway has been pounced on by the Government, and now the steamer traffic is passing slowly but surely into the hands of the Chinese. It is rumoured, now, that the authorities have made an offer for the China Coast Steam Navigation Co., similar to that by which they are becoming possessed of the S. S. N. In the course of a few years the Chinese will hold the principal business of Shanghai in their hands. It is the avowed policy of the Government, and the Government is carrying it out with marked consistency. Nor does the Viceroy himself make any secret of it. Some time ago, in the course of a conversation, his interlocutor, a foreign gentleman in one of the Government services, hazarded some hackneyed platitudes about foreign influence, Chinese conservatism, and so on. Li's face assumed an expression of the most undisguised contempt. "Do you take me for a child-in-arm, that you say such a thing to me?" he retorted, with fine scorn. "Have you ever been to Macao, where the settlers are now mere coolies? Well! In fifteen years that's what you will all be, in Shanghai!"

What truth there is in the report that the Chinese are about to buy up the China Coast Steam Navigation Co., we are unable to say. There is just now a tendency to credit them with a design to buy up everything foreign in China, and this report may be a result of it. A facetious correspondent of one of our contemporaries at Shanghai—he describes himself as an "old resident about pumped out"—publicly announces his readiness to leave the country for a consideration, and suggests that possibly the British Government might be induced by similar means to pass an act to withdraw all British subjects from China. Certain it is that if the Chinese do ultimately get rid of us, England will survive the calamity. After all British interests in China are a very small matter in the sum total of the Old Country's prosperity.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

The steamer *Benary* was to leave Singapore for this port to-day (24th).

We learn that the P. M. S. S. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails to 2nd instant, from San Francisco, has arrived at Yokohama and will sail for this port to-morrow, 25th instant.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Tung-a-fat, a prisoner in Victoria Gaol, was resumed this afternoon, when after the evidence of Dr. A. res, the Colonial surgeon, the Jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

We hear that the Government sale of the old Market at Sai-ying-poon by public auction the other day realized \$9,300, together with the building thereon. The purchaser is Mr Lee Tuk Chong, of the Wo Hang firm. The price is considered a fair one. We observe the plot of ground next to the Government Central School known as the Bamboo Plantation is offered for sale. It is to be divided into five lots.

An inquest was held at the Government Old Civil Hospital this afternoon, before Mr Jas. Russell, Coroner, and a Jury,

Messrs J. Benton, B. Goldsmith, and D. B. Grant, on the body of Mok Ah-tu, a butcher, who died at Sow-kee-wan, whilst there collecting debts from various people. He died it appears from a dose of opium administered by himself, and the Jury returned a verdict accordingly, adding that there was no evidence to show why he took it.

Another inquest was held before the Coroner and the same Jury, on the body of a stone-cutter, named Wing Ching Choy, who died from the effects of blows from stones on the spine which fell on him, whilst blasting rocks at the Pokfulam water works, on the 22nd inst. The Jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

During Lord Lytton's tour through India he has been addressed and feted to an extraordinary extent. Some of the amusements held in his honour are quite original, as witness one at Mooltan. His Lordship, says the *Pioneer*, engaged in a novel game of chess with Colonel Millett. The chess board, if such a term may be allowed to a carpet of red and white calico with checkers a yard square, having been spread in front of the hall, chessmen, men and boys, dressed in opposing red and white uniforms appropriate to the various pieces, were marshalled in and took their places. Then by word of command each piece moved to the square indicated and a very lively game ensued, ending in an easy victory for the Viceroy. The mimic warfare over, the assembly adjourned to a pavilion in front of the fort where a display of fireworks awaited them.

When I advocated not long ago the introduction of China labour into Burma, I quite forgot to mention, as a drawback to the many advantages which the Chinaman offers, the very possible agony—as our American cousins phrase it—which may come day or night, should they ever become too numerous. It should be the duty of Government, not to encourage the immigration, but to see that they do not overrun the province; or in other words, "crowd out" all other labor, as they have already done in certain parts of America. Government must make it their business should they adopt Chinese labour, to entertain "wisely and well." I am quite aware that a distinguished chief of this province, Sir Arthur Phayre, was dead against immigration into this province of any sort, but especially against that from China. "Burns for the Burmese" is a pleasant cry enough; but if the country is meant to pay to its utmost, the motto must at once and for ever be abandoned. If immigration be necessary to the success of the province, and I for one believe it to be so, I fail to see that China labour, if properly controlled, can do irreparable harm. But I recollect an eminent German Professor once trotting out over his *Rheinwein*, with much more truth than he (unsuspecting old soul) ever thought of, "*Das Chingpanger Trinken ist leicht, aber das Berauseln geht nicht so leicht, indem perhaps with China labour.*"—*Rangoon Correspondent of the Pioneer.*

(London & China Express, Dec. 18th.)  
**ARRIVAL OF MR. POPE HENNESSY.**—Among the passengers by the mail steamer *Tasmanian*, which arrived at Plymouth on the 13th inst. from the West Indies, was Mr. Hennessy, lately Governor of Barbadoes, and recently appointed Governor of Hong Kong. Congratulatory addresses from various places were presented to him on his departure. One of these addresses was signed by more than five thousand persons, and presented by a deputation headed by Mr. George Whitehead, a leading



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H. DU POUEY, Agent.  
Hongkong, January 19, 1877. ja25



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Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.  
Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 31st Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

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Hongkong, October 27, 1876. ja27

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Singapore.—Wohing Hong.

Singapore.—Fing Kee Hong; Kwong  
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The above are some of the Agencies;  
others will be notified, when they are  
arranged for. Negotiations are in progress  
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Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

## Intimations.

## MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PENANG.

THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situate between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$30,000.

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D. C. PRESGRAVE,

Municipal Secretary.

Penang,  
Municipal Office,  
The 21st September, 1876.

## NOTICE.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

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Ma OHUN AYIN,  
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17th February, 1874.

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OHUN AYIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

## To Let.

HOUSE No. 7, Calne Road, lately occu-  
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House No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIRBY.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

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" " corned, ,, 320 300

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" Feet, ,, 50 40

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" Tail, ,, 100 90

" Liver, ,, 80 60

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